(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any remedial steps have been taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Yes. While it can expose SSIs to greater competition, on the positive side, it enables them to procure raw material, technology & other imports in an easier way & on cheaper prices besides opening up opportunities for export.

(c) and (d) The Government has taken various remedial steps and the package of measures provides fiscal incentives, for easier access to credit, marketing support, availability of collateral free composite loan upto Rs. 25 lakhs, capital subsidy for technological upgradation and improved infrastructure.

SSIs in Uttar Pradesh

326. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up small scale industries in the rural and backward areas in Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) rf so, the programme drawn up during the Tenth Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) No, Sir.The Central Government does not set up any small scale industrial (SSI) units. SSI units are set up by individual entrepreneurs in the country including in Uttar Pradesh.The Central Government supplements these efforts through various schemes/programmes. These schemes/ programmes, which are being continued in the 10th Plan, are uniformly implemented in the country and State-wise allocation is not made.

Development of small scale sector in Rajasthan

327. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes and programme implemented by

Government for the development of small scale sector in Rajasthan during the past two years;

(b) the budget allocated under such schemes and the programme during the current year; and

(c) the details of the benefits derived from this sector under such schemes and programmes in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) The details of the various schemes & programmes and benefits derived from them by the State of Rajasthan are as under:—

SI.No	Scheme/Programme	Benefits derived
1	IID Scheme	4 Centres in the districts of Jodhpur, Udaipur, Tonk and Nagaur sanctioned.
2	Technology Support Service Centre on Neem and Neem based products	Centre set up at Jhalawar
3	ISO-9000/ISO-14001 Reimbursement Scheme	130 units benefited
4	Awareness-cum-Motivational Programme on ISO-9000/ISO-1400"	116 persons benefited I
5	Energy Conservation Programme	60 SSI Units benefited
6	Pollution Control and Waste Minimisation Programme	132 units benefited
7	Skill Development Programme	60 persons trained
8	Entrepreneurs hip/Management/Skill Development Programme	2010 persons trained
9	Various Schemes of NSIC	Assistance rendered to 339 units

Besides these, SISI Jaipur, Field Testing Station, Jaipur and Hand Tool Design, Development & Training Centre, Nagaur are providing common service facilities, extension service, testing facilities, consultancy and project profiles for setting up and running small scale industries in various fields.

Funds are allocated schemes/programme-wise and not State-wise.

Satellite for promotion and development of education

328. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ISRO is developing an exclusive satellite for promoting and developing education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when, the satellite is going to be launched to start the programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) ISRO has planned to develop an exclusive satellite called (EDUSAT) for promotion of education in the country. The sanctioned cost of the project is Rs. 85.00 Crores.

(c) EDUSAT is scheduled for launch in 2004.

Projects running behind the schedule

† 329.SHRI NANDIYELLAIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 152 Government projects are running behind their time schedule, the time of completion of 78 projects is not known and the time schedule of 39 projects could not be fixed as a result of which the cost of these projects have increased to Rs. 40,889 crore;

(b) if so, the details of these projects, region-wise and State-wise;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.